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In re Application of:

David J. Corisis

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For: DIE PADDLE CLAMPING METHOD FOR WIRE BOND ENHANCEMENT

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Examiner: J. Mitchell

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

The Examiner indicates:

[the prior art does not disclose or make obvious a method comprising forming leads, and clamping tabs located at a fourth level integral with a die pad located at a third level, and forming a wirebonding device overlying portions of at least two leads and portions of at least one clamping tab including all the limitations of the independent claim.

In contrast, while the use of a clamping device for wire-bonding is known in the art as shown in Otsuki et al. (U.S. 6,133,623), and the use of tabs integral with die paddles are known in the art as illustrated in Chiu (U.S 5,358,905) and Inaba (U.S. 4,258,381), the tabs fail to show a wire-bonding device overlaying portions of the tab and leads.]

Applicant concurs with the reasons as stated by the Examiner insofar as they comprise a summary, and are exemplary and not limiting. Accordingly, the scope of the claims must be determined from the literal language of each as a whole, as well as equivalents thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Applicant submits herewith Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal for the above-captioned application and a check in the amount of \$1,715.00 in payment therefor plus five (5) copies of the patent when issued.

Also enclosed are Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(a) and Fee Addressee for Receipt of PTO Notices Relating to Maintenance Fees.

Applicant understands that no additional fees are required. However, if the Office determines that any comparison fees or other additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any such fees to TraskBritt Deposit Account No. 20-1469. A copy of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

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Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(a) (15 pages)

Fee Addressee for Receipt of PTO Notices Relating to Maintenance Fees (2 pages)

Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance (2 pages)

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